READY TO TAKE THE FIELD.

NATIONAL GUARD EQUIPPED IN

For the First Time in Its History It Had

the Camping and Commissary Arrange-Maintain Themselves in Active Service Adjt. Gen. Tillinghast, who had been in this city completing the outfit of the National Guard for active service in the field, left for Albany yesterday. It may now be stated that should an order come calling out the whole the guardemen at once they could moved to any part of the State at a few hours' notice, and be able to maintain themselves in the field without a hitch and with safety to the health of the men. This is said to be the first time in the history of the State that this could have truly been said of the Guard.

The greatest need was for tents. Every year the State of New York is entitled to draw from United States \$31,000 worth of military material. None of it can be drawn in cash, but must be taken in kind. From this source there have been drawn tents, arms, ammunition, and other supplies, and the appropriation for 1897 had all been used. From year to year such supplies have been drawn until the State was nearly eady to put its forces on a war footing with the supplies bought in addition with its however, th t about \$50,000 worth of new material would be necessary to complete the outfit. An appropriation of this sum was asked for, and was being considered when the emergency became so great that Gov. Black recom-

mended the \$1,000,000 appropriation for a war fund, which the Legislature passed with a rush. Gen, George Moore Smith said the night before last that the \$50,000 was needed to buy tents for about 4,000 men, 3,000 blankets, and additions to the cooking and eating outfits. There are tents enough in the State Arsenal at Thirty-fifth street and Seventh avenue to 4,000 men. These are the ones used at the State camp during the summer tour of duty. They are A wall tents, and larger ones of the same form for officers and hospital purposes. In the camp each tent is provided with a wooden floor, cots and mattresses, and only two men as a rule oc-cupy each. In the fleid there would be no floor nor standing furniture, and each tent would be occupied by a larger number of men. Besides these tents, each of the up-country or-ganizations of the Third and Fourth Brigades tents of the regular army pattern, and the

has tents of the regular army pattern, and the three batteries in Manhattan and Brooklyn and Squadron A are similarly provided.

Major-Gen. Roe said last night that 600 more tents were needed for a complete outfit. These were ordered three or four days ago, and will be ready when needed. Every organization in the State, except the Ninth and Sixty-ninth regiments, Gen. Roe said, was provided with gray blankets. The Seventh has a double supply, bought out of its own funds.

The reason that blankets had not been issued to the Ninth and Sixty-ninth was that neither regiment had a place to keep such supplies until the Ninth moved recently into its new armory. But in the States arsenal, Gen. Roe said, there were the 3,000 red blankets which have been used at camp. In the Ninth and Sixty-ninth Regiments there are about 1,100 men, so that there are an hand more than enough blankets to give two to each man in these organizations. nan in these organizations.
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In every armory in the State there is stored for immediace use a complete cooking outfit, and a large part of the National Guard has learned how to use them. Besides this there is an individual outfit of cooking and eating utensities for each soldier. If the Guard should be called into the field the men would find that the campaigns that they went through during the railroad strike at Buffalo in 1892, at Fire Island in the fall of that year, and in Brooklyn during the trolley strike in 1895, were of inestimable benefit to them. Before the men were called into service at Buffalo it was well known to the military authoratiles of the State that the National Guard was not in a condition to take the field and to maintain itself there for any length of time.

Adji. Gen. Porter had called attention in three of his previous annual reports to the lack of camp outfits. When the men arrived at Buffalo they were but meagrely supplied with tents and few of them had camp utensits for cooking. Those who saw the guardsmen on duty there will never forget the suffering which the men had to endure during the three or four days which it took for the various organizations to get supplies. But gradually many of the organizations provided themselves with the necessaries of themselves.

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By the time the 7.000 men who did duty during that strike returned to their homes they were well trained in this essential part of a

soldier's life.

At the next session of the Legislature an adequate appropriation was made for providing the Guard with proper cooking and camp utensils. Gen. Roe was Chairman of a board which made the investigation into these needs, and the outfit which the board recommended was bought and issued. That outfit provided for the cooking being done over camp grates. Since then the Benzzacott oven has been added to this outfit, and baking can be done by the men, as well as boiling, frying and broiling.

broiling.

There was still another field in which the Guard needed to be strengthened. Places on the staff had been considered in almost all organizations as hardly more than ornamental. At the State camp the duties of the commissaries had been confined almost entirely to taking a perfunctory look at the victuals furnished by Caterers Windhoiz add Yale and to seeing that the men got into the mess hall promptly and in an orderly manner. Gen. Porter had careful lists made of the groceries which might be used for marching or camprations, and these were rabulated in orders. The portions which should make up each man's supply for a day were carefully specified, and in addition tables were prepared which would enable each commissary to calculate almost at a glance just how much of each he should provide for any number of men. Explicit directions were given as to the issuing and care of everything, and no excuse was left for a commissary not providing for the men under his charge. The cost of each ration was calculated at 38 cents, and in addition an allowance is authorized of 10 cents a day per man for luxuries. Gen. Ree said last night that when Squadron A was encamped at Van Cortlandt Park it lived upon the rations allowed by the regulations and found them ample.

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Another provision was made for emergencies. Arrangements were made on behalf of the State with large grocery houses at convenient points, whereby it was understood that at any moment these houses would furnish supplies to be delivered on the credit of the State. Each commissary was notified where he could get rations in this way.

Of course each organization would need wagons to transport these things and its other luggage. The Second Battery in this city has provided itself at its own expense with regular baggage wagons, but every commanding officer has been provided with directions as to the number and kind of wagons that would be wanted in an emergency, and cach one is expected to know just where he could get these without delay. Great improvements have also been made in the medical department, and the soldiers who take the field for this State may be reasonably sure that the surgeons will not only be provided with all the medicines and sursical appliances, but that there is a well-trained hospital corps to take them off the field and to nurse them in hospital.

MOBILIZATION ON THURSDAY?

Rumors in Several States That the National

COLUMBUS, O., April 5.-The report was cur rent to-day that Adjt.-Gen. Axline, acting under instructions from Washington, would mobilize the Ohio troops on Thursday, but at his office it was said that no such orders had been received. The Ohio troops are ready to be called out at any oment. Acting under instructions from the Navy Department a few days ago, the Naval Militia, consisting of 275 men, has been placed in readiness. Gen. Axline is constantly at his post both night and day, which is regarded as very significant, as usually he is seldom seen about the department after 5 o'clock.

CLEVELAND, O., April 5 .- The Cleveland milltary companies are to be placed on a war footing at once. Orders to this effect were issued Ing at once. Orders to this effect were issued to day to the Captains of the various companies in the Fifth Regiment.

HARRISHURG. April 5.—Gov. Hastings was questioned to-night regarding the rumor that the National Guard would be mobilized on Thursday. He says there is absolutely nothing in the story. It is believed, however, that there will be important developments here within twenty-four hours.

RICHMOND, April 5.—A conference was held to-night at the Governor's Mansion by Gov. Tyler, Adjt. Geb. Nalle. Inspector General Joe Lane Stern, and members of the Governor's staff. It is understood that ne notice has been received from Washington.

A Marine Goes Insane Over the Maine.

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- Gilbert O'Neil, a marine stationed at the navy yard, became vio ently insane yesterday from worrying over the plowing up of the Maine. Ever since the disaster he has acted strangely, and at times imagined be heard explosions. Yesterday he grew worse, he heard explosions. Yesterday he grew worse, sun, believing his comrades were Spanish fees, sun, believing his comrades were Spanish fees, sun, believing his comrades were Spanish fees, shorted to fight them. He was disarrand and ideaed in safe quarters until to-day, when he was sent to the Marine Hospital. After a further examination he will be sent to St. Elizabeth's Hospital for the Insane. PORT ROTAL A REPAIR PORT.

The Beck There Bendy for Buttleships-Quiet Work May He Bone There.

WASHINGTON. April 5.—The new naval station at Port Royal, S. C., has been selected to care for and repair all ships of the home feet that may be injured in action while engaging the enemy south of the Virginia Capes. Since the plans of preparations were started the naval authorities have been lending every effort to place this station in first-class condition, and the result of these efforts is apparent in the announcement that the home fleet may be docked and over hauled there, no matter what the tide conditions

or the state of the weather. Additional facilities for repairs have also been provided. A new repair shop for the Construction Bureau has just been finished at a cost of \$50,000, and the Steam Engineering Bureau has shops where ordinary repairs to machiners can be made quickly. The protection of this station is now being quickly carried out by the War Department in the building of emplacements at the mouth of the Cape Fear River, where one gun is soon to be mounted, but without the completion of this defence the station would be at the mercy of any torpedo boats that might creep up the channel, fire a torpedo into the dock and get away before intercepted, unless some naval ships were on hand to look

Secretary Long has been urged by the Construction Bureau to have mounted around the dock a number of 6-pounders and machine guns, which would be equal to repelling torpedo boats. The danger from attack of large vessels is quite remote on account of the tortuous channel leading to the dock and the unfortunate position an enemy's vessel would be in on becoming bottled up by the presence of a strong force at the mouth of the river.

As Port Royal will be the only station where battleships can be docked in time of war on account of the incomplete condition of the new dock at New York, which will not be ready for the reception of war vessels until May, the department is preparing to afford it every facility for repairing vessels and in fitting them out again for sea. Coal is to be sent there in large quantities, torpedoes distributed by the War Department for blocking the channel, and, if the necessary guns can be obtained, a small battery will be provided. Much satisfaction is expressed that at last the navy is in possession of a first-class dock, where its heaviest vessels may be received and attended to, so that it is no longer necessary to send vessels of the battleship class to foreign yards for attention.

SIGSBEE TELLS HIS STORY AGAIN. He Says Belay to More Helpful to Spain Than to This Country.

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- The House Committee on Foreign Affairs met again this morning and heard Capt. Sigsbee repeat his story of the explosion of the Maine which he recited last week to the Senate committee. There was a full attendance, and the Captain's statements were listened to with great interest. The Captain repeated his opinion that the Maine was destroyed by a submarine mine, and added that it was inconceivable to him that the explosion could have occurred without the connivance of Spanish officials. He qualified this by saying that he did not mean to charge complicity upon the Spanish Government or the Captain-General of Cuba, but that it was due to the action of subor-dinate officials.

dinate officials.

Discussing the probabilities of the situation, Capt. Sigabee said that if the United States were but a little better prepared in some respects (regarding which he did not go into details) we could laugh at Spain's efforts and equipment slike. Delay in bringing matters to a crisis, in his opinion, was to the benefit of Spain rather than to this country. Personally, he is ready for a contest.

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Capt. Sigsbee was led into the field of probabilities of the future of the island, and expressed the opinion that if the United States were to annex Cubs. at all, it should be done now. This suggestion, it is said, did not meet approval in the committee, most of the members of which are not favorably inclined to the acquisition of territory as a general policy.

Capt. Sigsbee went quite into details regarding the explosion and its cause. He was asked:

"Could it possibly have occurred from an internal cause!"

He emphatically replied:

"No."

No.

Much interest was attached to this query and its answer because of a report, credited to a member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, that he had answered the same question in the affirmative way.

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FUND More Than One-Hair of the \$50,000,000 Al lowed Has Been Expended.

VERMONT IS READY.

Ser. Grout Assures the President of the tup-

port of the Green Mountain State.

DERBY, Vt., April 5.-The following is a copy

of a letter sent to President McKinley by Gov.

Grout:

DEAR SIR: From a careful observation of the differences between the United States and Spain I have thought they could and would be adjusted amicably secording to international requirements ordinarily governing such matters; so I have not heretofore felt called upon to communicate with you upon the subject. Preferring honorable peace to war, it did not to me seem difficult for this Government to make such a demand in the premises as would accompilably what we desire and secure what Cuba so rightly deserves, such a demand as would satisfy Spain and the civilized powers of the world, thus honorable alike to all concerned and peaceably meeting the present crisis.

If, however, negotiations fail and war becomes the ultimatum. Vermont would have you know that she is ready to do her part in securing the objects for which it is declared and a restoration of peace. You can depend upon the support of our people to the extent of their ability, and I shall hope to know early what the exigency of the service may require of us.

Commending the wisdom and humanity of your patriotic course, and sincerely hoping war may yet be averted, I am, with high personal esteem, respectfully.

may yet be average, esteem, respectfully, Josian Grout, Governor.

Quarters for the Second Naval Battalion.

The old Thirteenth Regiment Armory in

Hanson place and Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn,

has been turned over by Comptroller Coler to

the Second Naval Battalion, and yesterday Pay

put in the building and the furniture moved

from the Court street headquarters to the

armory. The company rooms will be fitted up for division rooms and storerooms. The bat-talion uniforms are being distributed, and the men are ready to respond to a call for active service at a moment's notice.

Hadson County Morchants Uphold McMinley.

The Hudson County Merchants' Protective

Association discussed the trouble with Spain at

meeting held in the Avenue House, Jersey

a meeting held in the Avenue House, Jersey City, on Monday night, and the following telegram was sent to President McKinley:

"We, in inecting assembled, beartily inderse the conservative policy displayed by you in connection with the Cuban controversy, and earneasily pray that the same may be adjusted without bloodahed. We, however, pledge \$500 to New Jersey to be used in equipping her troops in ease necessity demands."

master A. R. Pardington had twelve are lights

a barge here to-day. Col. Frank, commandant of the fort, refuses to discuss the situation further than to admit that the work is going on. NEWPORT NEWS, April 5 .- Late last night or early this morning box float No. 4 of the Soa-WASHINGTON, April 5. - More than one-half board line arrived at Old Point with forty-two of the emergency appropriation of \$50,000,000 galvanized iron buoys to be used in holding in has been allotted to the War and Navy Deposition the submarine mines and torpedoes inpartments in conducting their policies of deended for the Virginia capes. Almost simulfensive operations, and before the close of the week probably \$3,000,000 more will have been taneously with the arrival of the buoys came line steamship Minia, which allowed. Of this latter sum the greater part has been at Key West doing Government work. will go toward the purchase of the Morgan While the officers of the ship are reticent, it is liners and other craft lately bought. Thus far learned on good authority that the ship will the navy has secured the larger part of the aptake the float in tow and carry it to the Capes, propriation, owing to the necessity of buying where expert workmen will spend the night in ships abroad and additions to the service of over twenty boats of all classes purchased of firms in this country. More money has been devoted to ordnance and ammunition, however, by both departments than to any other branch of the defence work, there being scarcely enough powder in the magazines and arsenals five weeks ago to enable the country to carry on a sea fight twenty-four hours, and so little in the army that Sandy Hook could probably not have kept up an engagement one day. Millions of dollars, however, have been expended by each branch of the service, the navy alone having had \$7,000,000 for ordnance, proder, and shell. Six millions have gone for ships so far purchased, and \$2,000,000 more will probably be allotted for other vessels this week.

Half a million dollars has been devoted to the purchase of coal, the greater part of which is being shipped to Key West, and \$1,000,000 and services of the complete share and \$3,000,000 and army ordnance \$6,000,000. Powder and shell have been purchased also in large quantities. Half a million has been allowed to the Quartermaster's Department for the purchase of needed supplies. ships abroad and additions to the service of putting the torpedoes and mines in position. The weather, which is thick and foggy, may interfere with this programme.

THE TEXAS DELAYED BY THE STORM. Will Probably Sail for Hampton Roads To-Day

The battleship Texas, which was to have sailed from the Brooklyn Navy Yard yesterday morning to join the flying squadron at Hampton Roads, did not get away. The storm was so severe at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, the sailing time, that Pilot Guinnes declined to take the ship out. He said that he would not be responsible for what might happen if the Texas went out in such thick weather and after a brief consultation Capt. Philip concluded that it would be best to wait until to-day.

The officers and men of the Texas were sorely disappointed at the delay. They have been chating for days while the repair work has been going on and were extremely anxious to begin the journey South. Unless the weather is too thick this morning the Texas will steam away from the navy yard at 7 o'clock. She is stripped for action, every superfluous article having been taken from her in the last few days and stored in the navy yard storchouses. She can be ready for actual combat in ten minutes, that

stored in the navy yard storchouses. She can be ready for actual combat in ten minutes, that much time being required to throw overboard the boats and remove the guard rope posts.

The Maynower was to have left the dry dock yesterday atternoon, but she will not get out until to-say. The workmen who are making replies were obliged to knock off work yesterday morning on account of the storm. The finishing touches will be put on to-day. The Saturn, which is to be fitted out as a repair ship, will be the next to go into the dry dock.

It was said yesterday that the impatience of the sallors and marines on the ships of the North Atlantic squadron to engage in actual warfare had led them to make a most remarkable protest to President McKinley. Ever since the Texas arrived here there has been an undercurrent of talk among the callsted men about a round robin that the sallors of the souadron had got up and sent North by the men of the Texas, who were to send it to Washington. The officers of the Texas heard about the matter, but regarded it as a silly rimner, without any foundation in fact.

It is said that Commodore Bunce and Capt. Philip of the Texas received information on Monday that the round robin was actually in existence and that in it the men threatened to desert at the first opportunity unless some decisive action was taken at once by the Administration. The signatures, while fictitious, were said to have represented each an enlisted man of the North Atlantic squadron.

The story ground the navy yard yesterday was that Commodore Bunce and Capt. Philip made an effort to get the document, but that the men succeeded in smuggling it ashore and mailing it.

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Men Betailed from Willetts Point

WHITESTONE LANDING, L. I., April 5 .- A hundred and twenty men from Willetts Point bave been ordered to be in readiness to leave the post at a half hour's notice. They are to be distrib at a half hours notice. They are to be distrib-uted along the coast in details ranging from seven to twenty-five men, each detail under the command of a non-commissioned officer, to aid in the building of harbor defences. Seven en-gineers, under command of Corporal James Boyle, were despatched this morning to Phila-delphia. Lieut, Burgess has been sent to Charleston harbor, S. C. Slaughter in Cuba Must Stop, They Say-New

MINESREADY; NEW GUNSUP

DEFENCES.

as been going on day and night for ten days,

and by the end of the week will have been com-

pleted. The new batteries at these three for-

tifications will be ready for service by the first of next week. Major Knight's work is as well

advanced. It may be said, therefore, that the emergency work of the New York harbor de-

fences will be completed by the middle of next

In mounting the new batteries, not only at the

fortifications in this harbor, but at the other

fortifications along the coast, the barbette car-

riages are used. Lieut.-Col. Kimball, Chief.

Quartermaster of the Department of the East,

has been shipping these carriages, with their guns and ammunition, by every available

means of transportation for the past

appearing carriage, is that the older artillery

officers have a prejudice in favor of the carriage,

with whose workings they are perfectly fa-

miliar. They say that there is no delicate ma

chinery to get out of order in the barbette

The situation now is that every important

point along the entire coast, that is, every point

which in any likelihood would be attacked, is

properly defended, and within forty-eight hours

after the order is given the waters about them

About a week ago Major-Gen, Miles, com

manding the army, recommended to the Secre-

tary of War that the entire National Guard of

all the States be ordered into camp at once-

The object of this recommendation was to en-

able the War Department to see just what the

National Guard could do in case of an

emergency. Yesterday the Secretary of War

telegraphed to this city for estimates for the

immediate delivery of 100 conical tents and

100 officers' tents. The conical tents are of the

shape of circus tents, with one big flap at the

entrance. Each tent will comfortably accom-

modate twenty men, and more can be stowed

away in them in an emergency. These tents

would, it is estimated, shelter 2,500 men. The

inference allowed to be drawn yesterday was

that these tents will be ordered at once for use

Lieut.-Col. Weston, Assistant Commissary

General of Subsistence, has arranged with a

Kansas City firm to supply the army, in case of

war, with sterilized meat. He has also com-

pleted arrangements for supplying the troops

with condensed coffee, which contains the neces-

To-day Major-Gen. Wesley Merritt and mem-

bers of his staff will inspect Fort Schurler and,

MINES FOR THE CHESAPEAKE.

Preparations for Laying Torpedoes Between

FORT MONROE, April 5.-The army engineer

officers are making preparations to lay mines.

sary amount of milk and sugar.

possibly, Fort Slocum.

of a part of the New York National Guard.

and Fort Slocum.

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up and practically tested.

RUSHING WORK ON ATLANTIC COAST EAST ORANGE, N. J., April 5,-Before adjournng sine die to-night the Newark Conference of Protection of This Harber Will Be Completed the Methodist Episcopal Church adopted reso-tions declaring that the time for the slaughter This Week. Searchlights for All the Ports-Guns of the New Matteries to Be Mounted on Earbette Carriages. Work Elsewhere, in Cuba to cease had come. The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote, without discus-

From sunrise to runrise is about the average sion, and concluded as follows:
"If, despite all efforts for honorable peace, day's work now of the officers of the Engineers' Corps stationed in New York and of the other war should be found inevitable, we will, in the army officers here engaged in putting the finishwords of our revered and martyred Lincoln, work for our country, the power of the Al-mighty God and the considerate judgment of ing touches on the defences of the Atlantic oast. Lieut.-Col. William Ludlow is at work on the defences of Forts Hamilton, Hancock, mankind,' and will render loyal and unswerv and Schuyler. Major Henry M. Adams has ing support in whatever action the Government charge of the work at Fort Wadsworth, and may find necessary to maintain the honor of Major Knight of the work at Willets Point our nation.

A quotation in favor of temperance, alleged to Fort Wadsworth is in the finest shape. New have been from the writings of Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, was the introduction to a rebatteries are being mounted there, but they would not be an absolute necessity if war were port of the Committee on Temperance. The to be declared to-morrow. The range-finder works perfectly, and its electrical connection report merely stated that the "greatest teacher of infidelity" had uttered the words. The Rev. Dr. J. I. Boswell declared with the gun pits has already been made. A that if the committee meant Col. Ingersoll and he had uttered such grand truths he, for one, was fine new searchlight, with dynamo, has been set Lieut.-Col. Ludlow, in thirty-six hours, will have every one of the fortifications under his supervision equipped with a searchlight. The ork preparatory to mining the waters about Sandy Hook, Fort Hamilton, and Fort Schuyler.

has had uttered such grand truths he, for one, was not afraid to have the words go out credited to him. The Rev. Dr. Isaaw Gilbert thought Ingresoll's name had better be left out because ne doubted the authoration as he was quite certain he had seen Col. Ingersoll's name appended to a very eloquent culogr of Kontucky whiskey. So the name was emitted, and will not appear in the published minutes of the conference.

Resolutions were adopted urging church members not to ride bicycles or use trolley cars on Sundays for pleasura, to abstata from Sunday wisits, or reading Sunday newspypers of forty pages. The Rev. Dr. Lawis R. Dunn declared that if there should be a war it would be because "God is vexed at us for our non observance of the Sabbath."

Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell announced his appointments for the charches in the Newark Conference. A large number of changes wore

pointments for the churches in the Newark Conference. A large number of changes were made in the districts and the Rev. J. R. Wright of Washington, N. J., was appointed presiding elder of the Jersey City district, succeeding the Rev. James B. Faulks, whose six-year term has expired.

SAILORS SHY OF WAR RISKS. Four Arrested for Refusing to Sail to Venes uela on an American Schooner.

three weeks. One especial reason for mounting the big guns on the barbette, instead of the dis-Frank Petersen, J. Cornells, Crawford Lealie, and Martin Lang, who shipped as seamen for a voyage to Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, on the American three-masted schooner Manuel R. Cuza, refused to go to sea yesterday afternoon, ominally because Capt. H. Wallace, the owner of the vessel, had hired Capt, Richard W. Armstrong to command the vessel in his stead for the trip. The schooner was lying off Red Hook Point ready to sail when the two Cartains ar rived on board and the owner announced the change of commanders. The four sailors at once held a hurried consultation and then told Capt. Wallace that they would not go to sea unless he went as master. He remonstrated in vain and the arguments of Shipping Commisioner Kecnan, who was sent for and taken to the vessel in a tug, were equally unavailing, Then Capt. Wallace and the Commissioner came ashore and got a warrant from Commis-sioner Shields for the men's arrest, and Deputy United States Marshals brought the sailors

United States Marshals brought the sailors ashore.

When a raigned before Commissioner Shields the sailors at first refused to give any explanation of their action, but finally Peterson said:

"We know Capt. Wallace to be a good sesman and we shipped to sail under him. We do not know anything about Capt. Armstrong and we do not want to go under his command. Commissioner Shields told the men that they had signed articles to sail on the Manuel R. Cuza and that the change of Captains had nothing to do with their duty to carry out the agreement. He set their preliminary examination for to-day at 11 o'clock and the men were taken to Ludlow Street Jaall.

Shipping Commissioner Keenan says that the prospect of war has caused much similar trouble in shipping circles, sailors inventing all sorts of excuses to avoid roing to sea. This results in considerable loss to shippers and owners of vesals, and it in proposed to make a test case in the recent interests.

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of vessels, and it is proposed to make a test case in the present instance.

Stefano Bettiloro and Michele Romano, members of the crew of the Italian ship Teocle, were sent to Ludiow Street Jall by Commissioner Shields yesterday to await examination upon a charge of mutiny, preferred against them by Capt. Gamboni, commander of the vessel. The Teocle is docked at Prefresont Stores, Brooklyn, and it is alleged that the men attempted to desert.

ENGINEERS FOR THE MONITORS. Three Members of the Naval Reserve Provide and Enlist the Sien.

Several mines ready for laying were put aboard It was officially announced vesterday that the New York Naval Reserve detachments will not go to Philadelphia before next week. The monftor Nahant, which is to be manned by the First Battalion, will not be ready before Monday or Tuesday. The Chief Engineer of the Second Battalion, Robert E. Hall, left for Philadelphia last night to inspect the engines of the Jason. It has been definitely decided that each battalion will take its own corps of engineers, machinists, mechanics, and coal passers. These men will be furnished by the Chief Engineer of the Second Battalion, who is Vice-President of the Hall Steam Power Company, and by his two essistants, John H. Gardner and Alexander assistants, John H. Gardner and Alexander Hendersen, Mr. Gardner is the assistant engineer of the Fall River line and Mr. Henderson is President of the Manhattan Rubber Company. Several weeks ago these gentlemen promised to furnish a sufficient engineer corps from their own employees for each battalion should the reserve be called into service. They have enlisted sixty men, all skilled machinists and mechanics, and they will be equally divided between the two battalions.

NOT TO CLUSE ON GOOD FRIDAY. tock Exchange Won't Risk It with the War Cloud Lowering.

President Lincoln was assassinated on Good Friday, 1865, and on Good Friday, 1866, and every Good Friday since the Stock Exchange has been closed. The Governors voted this year to close it as usual. Yesterday they reconsidered and reversed their action because of the Spanish

The Cotton Exchange members have already voted down a proposition to close on Good Fri-day. The matter will be considered to-day by the Produce and Coffee exchanges. The London Stock Exchange is to be closed from Thursday evening until the following Tuesday morning. Good Friday and Easter Monday are legal holi-days in England.

Our New Torpedo Bont at Scattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 5.-The torpedo boat under construction by Moran Bros. will be launched on Friday afternoon. The same builders have twelve Yukon River steamboats on the stocks nearly ready for launching. They are of 225 tons each and are valued at nearly \$500,000.

The Lebauon Hought for a Collier.

BOSTON, April 5.-The steel steamship Lebnon, which has been purchased by the Govern ment, will be taken to the navy yard here, and work will be rushed to fit her for collier service She belonged to the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company, and was used in towing coal-laden barges to New England ports. She is 246 feet long, 37 feet wide, 23 feet deep; was built in Philadelphia in 1894, and is considered a fast vessel of her class.

The Emen's Battery to He Sent to New York. PORTSMOUTH, N. H., April 5 .- Orders were received at the navy yard late this afternoon directing that the battery on the U. S. S. Essex be shipped to New York with all possible haste. As soon as the message was received the work of taking the guns asbore was begun, and they will be shipped in the morning.

Work Day and Night on Projectites. READING, April 5 .- The Carpenter Steel Company this afternoon shipped 400 5-inch project tiles to the Washington Navy Yard. Day and hight work is being done to get out this week 150 10-inch shells.

Will Back Up the President.

The Board of Directors of the Real Estate Ex change and Auction Room, Limited, adopted

the following yesterday:
"Resolved, That the board hereby expresses its hearty approval of the firm and dignified course maintained by the President in the diplomatio negotiations with Spain, and, while expressing the hope that war may be averted, pledges support to the President in any course he may deem advisable."

Copies of the resolution were sent to the President, Vice-President, and to Speaker Reed. its hearty approval of the firm and dignified

Spanish Bonds Sink Again.

In the London stock market yesterday Spanish 4 per cent. bonds opened 's point lower, at 50%, became decidedly weak, and closed at 49%, a net decline of 1% points from Monday's final optiation.

METHODISTS NOT AGAINST WAR OHIO AND THE PRESIDENT

AN INDORSEMENT REFUSED HIM

Resolution Expressing Approval of His Cobas Policy Patis to Pass in the Ohio House of Representatives, and He Is Denounced as Cowardly-Oble's St. 000,000 War Fand. COLUMBUS, O., April 5,-The Obio Senate to fay passed the Riley bill appropriating \$1,000. 000 to put the Ohio National Guard on a war footing. There was not a dissenting vote.

In the House of Representatives another phase of the Cuban question came up when the embers considered the Swingle resolution indorsing the course of the President. This reso ution was offered last Friday after the adoption of the Senate resolution indorsing Senator Foraker's course. Some of the members did not see how they could be consistent and at the same time indorse both the President and the senior Senator from Ohio. When the matter came up to-day, Mr. Swingle and one or two Administration Republicans defended the President, referred to his war record, and spoke of him as an Leal American citizen. The Democratic members participating in the discussion denouced President McKinley in strong terms. Representative Deran seemed to

strike a popular chord when he declared that no man in the House, either Democrat or Republican, was unwilling to follow the lead of the President if he would only determine on a brave, firm, American course, but until then all should decline to follow him. Gen. Wiley, the Democratic leader, said that the Legislature was asked to indorse the President when even the Representatives and Senators in Congress was asked to indorse the President when even the Representatives and Senators in Congress did not know what his course was or had been. Representative Bracken, the Popullat member from this county, made the senantonal speach of the debate. He denounced President McKin-ley as cowardly and his course as uncertain and incompetent. "He has not obeyed the will of his own party oven." declared the speaker, "otherwise there would be 100,000 people alive and well to-day instead of being in the tranches

his own party oven, declared the speaker, otherwise there would be 100,000 people alive and well to-day instead of being in the trenches of the dead in Havana and Matanzas. The sinking of the Maine has been forgotten. The flag of our national honor has been dragged through the alime of diagrace.

The debute was sud tenly interrupted, just at a time when the members were getting fairly warmed up to the subject, by Mr. Hoxwell, a Hanna Republican, moving that the resolution be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. It will never be heard of again. This motion was made because the friends of the President saw that they could never secure the adoption of the resolution.

GRESHAM'S RACE AGAINST TIME. The Revenue Cutter to Try to Get Through the

CLEVELAND, O., April 5 .- New difficulties may e encountered by the Government in getting the Gresham and other altered revenue cutters to salt water. As soon as war is declared Eng-land is likely to close the Welland Canal to American vessels to preserve its neutrality So it will be necessary to get the Gresham through before.

The Greshan left Milwaukee at 2 P. M. on Monday for Cleveland. She will arrive here late this week. It is thought that when she gets here orders will be given to hurry her through the canal to the seaboard. The Algonguin and the Onondaga are still on the stocks at the Globe yard.

CHICAGO WOMEN WILL HELP. they Propose to Raise a Corps of Twenty-five Physicians and 1,000 Surses

CHICAGO, April 5,-A corps of women doctor and nurses will be raised by the Medical Women's Club in case of war with Spain. The club met at its rooms to-day and concluded that 1,000 nurses could be got together in the city and that twenty-five physicians could be sent out from among the women doctors. A committee was appointed to perfect plans to put the idea into operation. Those signifying a willingness to so serve their country will be put through a daily training.

CHICAGO'S FIRST VOLUNTEERS. hix Hundred Men Alrendy Enrolled and Two Rattalions Completed.

CHICAGO, April 5.- The work of recruiting the First Regiment of Volunteer Infantry, which was begun three weeks ago, has been remarkably successful, and 600 men have already been

When several companies had been enlisted a committee was appointed to organize two battalions at other points. These battalions have been completed. The regiment will be brought up to full war strength as soon as possible.

Cant. Wilde Wants to Have the Katabdin Or

WASHINGTON, April 5.-Capt. George F. F. Wilde of the ram Katahdin was at the Navy Department yesterday in conference with the officials in regard to completing arrangements officials in regard to completing arrangements for the Katabidin to go to sea.

He said that two important grades in the personnel of the ship were incomplete—machinists and assistant firemen, but he hoped that the quota would be filled within a few days. The ram will probably be ordered first to go to some point on the Northern coast to be put through a series of practice evolutions. We Buy All the Coal at St. Thomas

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- At the request of the Navy Department, directions have been sent by the State Department to the United States Consul at St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, to contract for all the coal that can be obtained. This move will not only keep Spain out of securing coal at St. Thomas, but indicates an intention on the part of the United States to accept the offer of Denmark to sell her West Indian possessions if it is necessary for American naval vessels to have a base of supplies that far east.

EXPLORERS SAIL FOR ALASKA. The Government Parties That Are to Make Explorations in the Interior.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 5 .- The gunboat Wheel ing sailed this morning with members of the United States geological and geographical surveying expedition in Alaska. The officers of the party are George H. Eldricke. Arthur Keich, J. E. Spurr. Alfred Brooks, E. C. Barnard, E. K. Peters, Robert Mudron, W. C. Post, W. C. Medenhail and E. C. Schrader.

Some of these officers, accompanied by eight or ten men, will go into the interior from the Haines Mission and the rest with an equal number of men from Cook Inict. A thorough exploration of the White and Tanana Rivers will be made, and also of the country west of the Yokon. The Wheeling will return here about May 15. ing sailed this morning with members of the Ynkon. May 15.

175 DAYS FROM BROOKLYN.

The Schooner Thurston Arrived In San Francisco with Her tiold Scekers. SAN FRANCISCO, April 5,-The little schooner Nellie G. Thurston arrived this morning from Brooklyn, after a voyage of 175 days. She had a party of gold scakers aboard, including Mrs. A. T. Bolles.

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The latter said the voyage was a picnic until
be Straits of Magellan were reached, and
hen it took twenty-eight days to get through
o the Pacific side. The party will go to the lopper River.

Confirmed by the Senate. WASHINGTON, April 5.-The Senate to-day

confirmed these nominations: Luther E. Gregory of New York to be civil engineer and Edward V. Armstrong of New York and William H. Bucher of Pennsylvania to be assistant surgrous in the navy. William L. Buford, Postmaster at Nichol-aville, Ey.

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OUND FOR AUXILIARY PRESERVA We Mave an Ample Supply and Seen Will May

a Great Plenty. WARRINGTON, April 5 .- Requisitions for the batteries of the auxiliary vessels purchased by the navy to-day will be met promptly by the Ordnance Bureau, which is prepared now to draw for the first time on the reserve supply of guns in store at the New York Navy Yard and piled up in the ordnance factory here for such ships as Ki Sol and sister craft. There is an ample supply of quick-fire guns others that may be purchased later, and the ordnance officials express confidence that they will be in a position in ten days to meet any de

mand that may be made upon them for furnishing ordnance of all kinds, except, perhaps, 3-pounders and 6-pounders. Private factories are burrying work on the latter classes, and 200 are now in course of manufacture here. Thirtyfive 5-inch guns and sixteen 6-inch are now fan approaching readiness for installation, and twelve 4-inch gone manufactured by the Beth lehem Company will soon be at the Government's disposal.

The Administration's indisposition to pross into service the large vess is of the American line and the probability that they will be the last secured, if they are secured at all, gives to the navy more guns for other vessels, on account of the large batteries the St. Louis type would carry, compared to those to be assigned the Morgan liners this week.

At the gun factory here one thousand men are working day and night on all calibres of guns for the navy, and as fast as these are turned out and tested they are to be shipped to the vessels requiring additional ordnance Every gun factory in the country where ordnance, large or small, can be made is also at work filling contracts for the Government, and while there may be at first a shortage of guns of some callbrow, the output will be so large in a little while that the Ordnance Department will se able to meet any call made on it.

Allotments of rifles to the Morgan liners will se made to-morrow and the pieces installed as rapidly as ships are made ready. The work of converting the vessels will be conducted at the New York yard and at Newport News. where most of the ships were constructed in the last few years. One 6-inch gun will be mounted on the forecastle each vessel and on the sides will be four 5-inch and a large number of 6-pound rs and machine guns. Protection will be afforded to the vitals by a thin plating of steel, while the coal bunkers will be so constructed around the machinery as to supply an additional safe guard. The steaming radius and large coal carrying capacity of these vessels will make them especially effective as commerce destroyers in operating agai at privateers, and at a sixteenanot rate they will be able to keep the seas for a week, if necessary, and at less speed two weeks or more, without coaling. Lieutenant-Commander Taussig of the Coast Survey has applied to be assigned to one of these ships, and Commander Rockwell, at Port Royal, wants another. Commander W. H. Emery may secure one also, although he rates for a larger vessel.

FOUR MORGAN LINERS BOUGHT. Government Not Likely to Use the Big American Linera.

Of the ten vessels recommended for purchase as auxiliary cruisers by the Board on Auxiliary Cruisers on Monday four were purchased yesterday. These were the Morgan liners El Norte. El Rio, El Sol, and El Sud. The President declined to give the authority to purchase the other six vessels, but did not refuse them absolutely.

Yesterday morning Capt. Frederick Rodgers, President of the board, received a telegram from the Navy Dep rim ut, directing him to recommend for immediate purchase two vessels that may be used as water distilling boats and one vessel to be used as a repair ship. The old Cunarder Russia was suggested as a type of vessel for this service.
On receipt of the telegram Capt. Rodgers sent

two members of the board over to the Eric Basin to reinspect the old Morgan liner Chal-mette. A description of the Illinois, bilonging to the International Navigation Company, was asked for. It is probable that some members of the board will go to Philadelphia to-day to in-spect this vessel. The John Englis, delonging to the Maine Steamship Company, was also in-spected.

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Of the Morgan liners that have been purchased El Sol was taking on her cargo for New Orleans when the line received notice that the Government had accepted their offer. Loading was immediately stopped, and the cargo already taken on was shifted to the Excelsion. El Sol will be at the disposal of the Government this morning. El Norte, which arrived in port yesterday, will be turned over as soon as her cargo can be discharged. El Sud and El Rio are at New Orleans and will probabily be held there.

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It was learned yesterday that there is little likelihood of the Government buying or char-tering any of the big ships of the American line. The Government finds that either the purchase or charter of the St. Louis, St. Paui, New York, or Paris will be very expensive, and it will do without them if possible.

OUR MILITIA IS PREPARED.

Gen. Tillinghast Benies, However, That the Troops Are to Be Called Out To-Morrow. ALBANY, N. Y., April 5.-Adjt.-Gen. Tilling-hast, who was in New York city to-day, re-

turned to-night. He denied the rumor that the State troops were to be mobilized on Thursday, saying no call for troops had been received by Gov. Black from the President and that as a mat-Gov. Black from the President and that as a matter of course no orders regarding the movement of the National Guard organizations would be necessary or thought of unless the Governor is called upon by the Federal authorities. Gen. Tillinghast said his visit to New York was to gather together the threads of the arrangements that were now perfected to bring the National Guard and the Naval Militia to the standard of readiness necessary for active service. He saw Commander Miller of the Navals Militia, and reports that that branch of the State forces is fully prepared to respond at once to any call that might

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be made from Washington.

Gen. Tillinghast also visited the Ordnance Department, where he saw Col. Story in the absence of Gen. Flagler, the chief. The AdjutantGeneral was desirons of ascertaining if the
Ordnance Department was able to most the
unusually large number of requisitions now
being received from the different National
Guard organizations with a view of heing fully
prepared for an emergency call. Gen. Tillingnast says he found everything to be as he would
wish, and that both the National Guard and
Nava Militia are ready and waiting for any call
the President may be immelled to make upon
Gov. Black in the event of hostilities arising.

OUR GERMAN TOPPEDO ROAT. She Reaches England, and Will Cross the Atlantic with the Cruiser Biogenes

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS. LONDON, April 5.-The torpedo host that was ecently purchased at Dantzie by the United States Government has arrived at Weymouth, She will probably cross the Atlantic in company with the cruiser Diogenes, which, it is expected, will leave the Thames at about midnight to night.

IS ANDREE SAFE? A Report That the Explorer Has Been Heard

From in Alanka. VICTORIA, B. C., April 5 .- Jack Carr. United States mail carrier, arrived at Departure Boy to-day from St. Michaels, via Dawson. He rings advices from Andrée, the Arctic balloon

explorer, but will not make public the nature of

his information at present. Carr came down on the steamer Centennial, A despatch from Departure Buy to the Times s ys Carr will not talk. He left St. Michae's with mails and also messages from Andr.e. He left Dawson on March 2. He has 2,000 letters for the United States.

Andrée, with two comrades, left Dancs Island, on the northwest coast of Sattabergen, in his balloon on July 11 last.
One of his carrier bigcons brought a message from him dated two days after he started, saying that he was then only 145 miles north and forty-five miles east of the place of denarture. Nothing has been heard from him since.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN

The Fus has forwarded to the Cuhan Relief Fund \$16 from Mrs. the creax Enumer.

The annual functions and numerate of the New York Alumne Association of Elmira vollege, will be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel on Saturday heart, from noon to a Ociock. An important beamess meeting will be held. Elmira College is the oldest college for women in the country, having received its charter in 1868.



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TWO KILLED IN A STORM.

Other Persons Injured, Buildings Wrocked, and Travel Impeded to Georgia.

Macon, Ga., April 5 .- A terrific storm swepts over the western portion of Sumter county, along Muckaise Valley this morning. At least two persons were killed on the Worthy planta-tion. Several others were injured and many buildings were wrecked.

Traffic on the Georgia and Alabama Raffroad was impeded for hours owing to we shouts and the caving in of a big cut near Lumpkin. It is feared that later resorts will show greater loss of life.





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